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THE WAR. TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

RUMANIA'S DISASTROUS PEACE.

38 MILLION KRONEN GOLD
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EXTREMELY HARSH TERMS
IMPOSED.

LONDON, May 13.
An Amsterdam message shows that
the financial provisions of the Aus-
tro-Rumanian supplementary Treaty
are as equally harsh against Rumania
as the earlier mentioned Germano-
Rumanian Treaty.

Rumania is similarly forced to
reimburse indemnification for damage
caused by Austria, including com-
municated goods, and has also agreed
to remit to Austria-Hungary 35
million kronen gold within 10 years
unless superseded by some future
arrangement, and also pledges for
five years the Rumanian National
Bank balances and the deposits at
the German Reichsbank.

The Treaty provides for the pro-
hibition reciprocally of objectionable
school books.

On the other hand, the Germans
who suffered damage in Rumanian
territory will be recompensed.

Moreover, Rumania must indemnify
the neutrals in Rumania for the
damage done by the Germans and
a Commission, of one-third each, of
Rumanians, Germans and Neutrals,
shall decide the amount of com-
pensation.

All pre-war treaties and agreements
shall be restored.

The Germans in Rumania in ser-
vice before the war who were dis-
missed will all be restored to full
rank and salary.

A significant clause is that com-
pelling Rumania to grant an amnesty
to the Germans for their political
conduct or military conduct based
upon political grounds during the
war.

Finally, the German Reichsbank
shall retain for five years the balances
of the Rumanian National Bank as
security.

AUSTRIAN PAPER DECRIES RUMANIAN PEACE.

Zurich, May 13.

The influential Vienna Labour
organ, the Arbeiter Zeitung, has
joined in the chorus of Austrian
jarrings against Germany's confis-
catory methods in Rumania, and points
out that the final decision can only
be reached at the general Peace Con-
ference. It sarcastically concludes:
"Such is peace without political and
economic violation, as proclaimed by
Count Czernin."

RUMANIA'S SCARS OF WAR.

HOW THE PEACE TREATY WAS
ANNOUNCED.

AMSTERDAM, May 10.

A Bukharest message says the
Rumanian Government in a pro-
clamation announces the conclusion
of peace and that the country re-
enters into a state of neutrality, and
can now work in removing the scars
of war by consolidating its internal
position.

GERMAN PEACE FOURPARLERS IN UKRAINE.

SEAT OF NEGOTIATIONS
ALTERED.

Moscow, May 10.

Germany has informed the Foreign
Commissionary that in view of a change
of Government in Ukraine the Peace
Delegation in Ukraine must radically
be re-constituted and Kiev and not
Nursk will be the scene of peace
negotiations.

KAISER'S HEART FILLED WITH JOY.

HONOUR FOR DISTINGUISHED
GENERALS.

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A Berlin message says the Kaiser
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sia, and that the Castle of Marien-
burg, the stronghold of old German
Knights, be renovated, its entrance
gate to bear the name and arms of
Field-Marshal von Hindenburg and
its towers inscribed with the names
of the Generals who have distinguish-
ed themselves in defending the
Eastern Frontier.

THE RAID ON OSTEND.

COMMENT ON THE GERMAN
OFFICIAL ACCOUNT.

LONDON, May 12.

The papers state that when the
Vindictive was approaching the har-
bour the officers, owing to the heavy
fire from the shore batteries, went
to the conning tower, but, when the
time came to sink the ship, returned
to the deck to see the operation
carried out.

The German official account men-
tions that the British developed an
artificial fog at Zeebrugge simultane-
ously with the attack on Ostend,
probably to distract German atten-
tion.

It is noteworthy that while the
official account contends that the
Vindictive was sunk outside the har-
bour, the account of a so-called eye-
witness, published in Berlin, admits
that the Vindictive struck the jetty.

ENEMY EFFORTS TO MINI- MISE ITS IMPORTANCE.

It is fully realised that the German
High Command has many good rea-
sons for denying the unquestionable
success of the Ostend affair. How-
ever, in view of the German com-
munique of the 10th, it is worth-
while emphasising that there is no
shadow of doubt about the position
of the Vindictive, which lies at an
angle of 40 degrees between the
piers, and about 200 yards inside the
entrance. This has been photo-
graphically confirmed.

It is interesting to note that the
German public are only now begin-
ning to know that something serious
has really happened to Zeebrugge
on April 23rd, the High Command
having taken great pains to conceal
the fact that two cruisers were filled
with concrete to block the Canal
there.

The recent flamboyant announce-
ment of the bestowal of various
honours on the Zeebrugge Command
was undoubtedly an effort to finally
dispel the widespread doubts in
Germany that that enterprise was
really, according to the German com-
munique of April 24th, "frustrated."

MINE-SWEEPING SLOOP TORPEDOED.

15 LIVES MISSING.

LONDON, May 12.

The Admiralty reports:—
A mine-sweeping sloop was tor-
pedoed and sunk on May 6th.
Two officers and 18 men were
missing.

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Club will be held in the LARGE DINING ROOM, on THURSDAY, the 16th inst., at 5.30 p.m. Business—As set forth in the Notice posted in the Hall of the Club.

By Order
K. DAS VERAUX,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 7, 1918. 393

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTEENTH YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, 20, Queen's Buildings, at 11 A.M., on FRIDAY, the 17th May, 1918, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1917, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th May to the 17th May, 1918, both days inclusive.

THE CHINA-BORNEO Co., Ltd.

W. G. DARBY,
General Manager.

Hongkong, May 2, 1918. 382

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned on FRIDAY, the 17th May, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the 31st December, 1917, and for the purpose of declaring Dividends.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.

General Agents.

Hongkong, April 29, 1918. 387

PEAK TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 17th May, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the 31st December, 1917, and for the purpose of declaring Dividends.

PEAK TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 10, 1918. 408

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1917, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 13th May to 23rd May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board:

C. H. P. HAY,
per pro. General Manager.

Hongkong, May 11, 1918. 412

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1917, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 13th May to 23rd May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board:

C. H. P. HAY,
per pro. General Manager.

Hongkong, May 11, 1918. 413

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4 Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd May, 1918, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1917, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 13th May to 23rd May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board:

C. H. P. HAY,
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Hongkong, May 11, 1918. 414

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

I HAVE STARTED BUSINESS as General Merchants under the Firm name of J. M. XAVIER & CO., at 34, Queen's Road Central.

J. M. XAVIER.

Hongkong, May 13, 1918. 4

NOTICE.

CARVALHO & COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. HENRY ARMANDO BEN-RIKSON CASTRO has this Day CEASED to be the Manager of our Business at Hongkong and his authority to Sign our Firm Name has been withdrawn.

Dated this 6th day of May, 1918.

CARVALHO & CO.

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NOTICE.

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THE DAIRY FARM ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LTD.

Hongkong, May 9, 1918. 395

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COMPETENT BOOK-KEEPER. Apply in writing, stating salary required to—

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Hongkong, May 8, 1918. 398

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Hongkong, April 10, 1918. 319

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FRENCH CONSULS SUE FOR LIBEL.

BELGIAN FILES SUIT IN JAPAN.

In the Kobe Court, Japan, a case came on for hearing recently in which Mr. Albert Grégoire, of Kobe, a Belgian subject, claims from Mr. Maurice Charpentier, French Consul in Kobe, and from Mr. A. Guerin, French Consul in Seoul, damages in the sum of ¥5,000, and further claims that they be ordered to insert in the *Yokohama Specimen*, and the *Shanghai Press* for three days in each paper an apology for injuring plaintiff's reputation.

In his plaint to the Court Mr. Grégoire states that he came to Kobe in August 1915 as manager of the Belgian Mining Syndicate and was instrumental in procuring the mine industry in the San-in and Tokuriki districts. His affairs were in a very flourishing condition when the outbreak of war completely upset them and made it very difficult for him to gain a livelihood.

In June 1917 Mr. Louis Rondon, a French citizen, who is in charge of a mining enterprise in Korea, wrote to Mr. Merceki, in Kobe, asking him whether he could find him a manager. Mr. Merceki arranged for the employment of plaintiff in this capacity, at a salary of Yen 4,000 a month, and plaintiff was about to start for Seoul when he received advice of the cancellation of the engagement. Plaintiff was greatly surprised, and, on making inquiry, discovered that Mr. Maurice Charpentier had written to his colleague in Seoul, telling him that the plaintiff was a man of no social standing or reputation, and Mr. Guerin forwarded this information to Mr. Rondon. Thus the plaintiff lost his prospect of employment, and his situation was made the more painful by the fact that the knowledge of the French Consul's action came to the notice of Mr. Merceki and other foreigners in Kobe and elsewhere.

As regards Mr. Charpentier's allegations against his social position, plaintiff remarks that he has been paying ¥100 a year income-tax in Japan; he was at one time Belgian Consul in Serbia, and was awarded a Serbian Order of the *Stellion*, Chinese, and Turkish Governments he has also received decorations for meritorious industrial work. On these grounds plaintiff claims damages and a public apology, as stated.

It appeared in the course of the proceedings that both the Consuls wrote letters to the Kobe Court, of which the following are the important points:—

Mr. Charpentier states that in his capacity as Consul he was asked by Mr. Rondon for information regarding the suitability of Mr. Grégoire, and he thereupon wrote privately to Mr. Guerin, that that information might be given verbally to Mr. Rondon—an act quite regular on the part of a Consul. He maintains that the French Government alone has any right to inspect Consular documents, and it is to the French Government alone that he is responsible, and the French Government alone which can make any decision regarding the accuracy or inaccuracy of the information given to Mr. Rondon.

Mr. Guerin also claims that he was acting within his Consular rights and is responsible only to his Government and under no jurisdictional responsibility in Japan. Mr. Onodera Katsuo presents the petition on behalf of plaintiff, and Mr. K. Cahina appeared for the defendants. The proceedings on Tuesday were purely formal. There was some slight discussion with defendants' counsel as to whether the Consuls were subject to Japanese law. The evidence on behalf of plaintiff of two foreign witnesses at

Yokohama, Mr. Merceki and another, was asked for, and the case was adjourned sine die in order that their evidence might be taken.

MURDER OF A MISSIONARY IN FUKIEN.

OUTRAGE BY PIRATES.

We recently reported that the Rev. H. E. U. Graham, a missionary of the Dublin University (T.O.D.) Mission to Fukien in connection with the Church Missionary Society, had been killed by pirates.

A friend of the deceased man has furnished the *N. C. Daily News* with an account of the outrage. It appears that Mr. Graham was returning to Funing in the Mission boat after a four weeks' absence, and the writer of the account says:—

It was 9 a.m. on April 15. A fine breeze was speeding the boat along and an hour later, it was hoped, would see her in port; all was peaceful except, when suddenly the report of firing brought Mr. Graham on deck. The man at the helm had already received a very severe wound. Mr. Graham, holding up both hands, called out that it was a mission boat and not a trading vessel, that they had nothing to gain from the attack and ordered them to desist at once. The reply was a shot, from which death followed instantaneously. The four pirate boats with it, it is reported, a total of some 200 hands on board, came on space and boarding the "T.C.D." rifled and pillaged and carried off everything of value. In spite of the efforts and entreaties of the crew, the ill-fated body was wantonly thrown overboard. Efforts were then made to carry off the boat and all but failing in this, the (the foremast) were all cut away and sent adrift and the marauders then made off.

IN BROAD DAYLIGHT. This all occurred in broad daylight, in full view of a number of fishing boats and in an island-bound channel on the coast of the Siang Co. and not a dozen miles north of Funing.

The brigands, from their lingo, dress, general deftness and the formidable weapons they possessed, are believed to be *Salchow* pirates, but the fact that two of the four vessels were of the Foochow pattern tells with the report of the mission boat crew that some of the men spoke the Foochow dialect and informed them that they had been taken captive and pressed into the service.

We regret to say that it is now the tenth day, and the body has not yet been recovered and we cannot but feel that this is mainly due to the ineffectiveness of the Chinese judicial system. The body was observed by *Saharfolkon* the second day, but fear of being implicated with the yamen if they took it on board, and distrust of the yamen runners and even of the sincerity of the official notice deterred the people. Then, though I was officially assured that \$100 was the amount of reward offered, I have

since that in reality the amount proffered was only \$50. Thereupon, informing the mandarin of my decision, I had bills printed and circulated broadcast offering \$100 in my own name.

Meanwhile Mr. F. W. Carey, Commissioner of Customs at Santos, rendered very prompt and effective assistance by most kindly coming up with Captain Williams on the Customs' cruiser *Kinkang* and addressing the populace of the large town of Samsha, endeavouring to dissipate their fears and to spare them on to make a thorough search of the coast for the body; he also offered a substantial reward. His words made a profound impression and, as a mission, Chinese and foreigners alike, are deeply grateful to him for this and other timely assistance rendered.

GERMANY'S PURPOSE. TO THREATEN THE SUEZ CANAL.

Lord Denbigh, according to an interview published in the *Globe*, said: "Germany's real purpose in the war is to secure a strong strategic position north of Palestine, whence she can threaten the Suez Canal, which is the main gateway of the British Empire."

A ship canal is now in course of construction connecting the Rhine with the Danube, and another is projected connecting the Elbe with the Danube. These would enable the Germans to bring destroyers and submarines secretly across Europe, and choose their own moment to rush out and make approaches to the Suez Canal impossible. We then would be only able to reach India via Suez by Germany's gracious permission.

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No. 3 Dock, Wharves	70'	18'	10'	7' 6"
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TALBOT STREET	40'	18'	10'	7' 6"
Wharves	40'	18'	10'	7' 6"
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A Consignment of KODAKS AND FILMS

Just received by the "EMPRESS OF RUSSIA." 26, Des Vœux Road Central. [369]

THE CALENDAR.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW. 2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at Tusculum, Barker Road, The Peak.

GENERAL MEMORANDA.

THURSDAY, May 14.—5.30 p.m.—Extraordinary General Meeting of Members of Hongkong Club.
FRIDAY, May 15.—11 a.m.—The China-Borneo Co., Ltd., annual meeting.
Noon.—Canton Insurance Office, Ltd., annual meeting.
SATURDAY, May 16.—9.15 a.m.—Fraser & Neave Co., open at the Theatre Royal. Play: "It Pays to Advertise."
THURSDAY, May 14.—Noon.—Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Yearly Meeting.
12.30 p.m.—China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., Yearly Meeting.
1.15 p.m.—British Traders Insurance Co., Ltd., Yearly Meeting.

THE "CHINA MAIL."

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the point that the Cotton industry, "erected as it was to a large extent on workhouse child labour" had got a bad start, from which it had not entirely recovered. He believed, however, that opinion was ripe in the districts affected for the abandonment of "half time." We believe that to be the case, but it is impossible not to recognise that the midst of a great war which is draining the nation's manhood to the dregs is not quite the moment for translating national sentiment on this question of youthful labour into legislation which is intended to have immediate effect.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"Tusculum," the residence of Mr. Duncan Clark, in Barker Road, the Peak, which was to have been sold by Public Auction this afternoon, was sold yesterday by private treaty.

The accounts of the Butler Cement Tile Works Ltd. of Shanghai show a loss of \$1,158.19 on the past year's working. The loss is attributed to the great falling off in building, also to operations, more competition and the fact that the cost of manufacture has increased.

The Directors of the Linggi Plantations, Ltd., have recommended a final dividend of 50 per cent, payable on June 1st, 1914, making a total distribution for the year of 116 2/3 per cent, placed to reserve \$22,000, being profit on realisation of investments, and carried forward \$28,000 subject to audit and usual adjustments.

Under the rallying cry of "Hello, Tientsin," attention is called to the fact that up to date Tientsin's contributions to War Funds, not to mention private and individual contributions, amount to \$60,000. This is a very handsome total, when taken on a population basis, but the Northern port has planned to surprise everyone with a new achievement.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. T. K. Dealy left for Australia yesterday.

Mr. H. H. Fox, C.M.G., H.M. Commercial Attaché, is in Hongkong on a short visit.

Mr. R. F. C. Master, of Shanghai, formerly of Hongkong, is shortly proceeding home to offer his services in the fighting line.

Sir John Bucknill, Chief Justice of the Straits Settlements (formerly Attorney General in Hongkong), will shortly be passing through the Colony.

News has been received at Hankow that Capt. E. T. Young, late of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., who left Hankow last year in order to join the Chinese labour battalions, died on 14th March in France.

Kobe papers record the death of Mrs. S. G. Stanford from pneumonia following upon confinement. Mrs. Stanford was 22 years of age, was the elder daughter of Mr. H. Russell of Kobe, and was born in that port.

A marriage has been arranged between Captain Edwin A. P. Wood, Durham Light Infantry, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Wood, Shanghai, and Janet, youngest daughter of the late H. J. T. Broadwood, and of Mrs. Broadwood, of Bone Hill, St. Albans, Herts.

We regret to learn that Mr. R. J. Stevenson, of "Tourelle," North Point, Electrician of the Public Works Department, has received a War Office cable stating that his eldest son, 2nd-Lieut. R. Stevenson, 1st Battalion Hampshire Regiment, died of wounds in France on the 10th inst.

LECTURE ON CEREBRO-SPINAL FEVER.

First Lieut. Peter K. Orlitzky, U.S. Army, the Specialist on Cerebro-Spinal Fever, who recently arrived in the Colony, will deliver a lecture to Members of the No. 1 (Ladies) Y.A.D. at 5.15 p.m., on Tuesday, the 26th inst., in the Helena May Institute, on "Infection—how contracted and how avoided; with special reference to Cerebro-Spinal Fever."

OBITUARY.

MR. A. P. NOBBS.

We regret to record that Mr. A. P. Nobbs who for the past thirty years had been in the service of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., as a chemist, died at the Government Civil Hospital, at 2.25 p.m. yesterday.

Mr. Nobbs, who was 57 years of age, had been in an indifferent state of health for some time past, but was only about a fortnight ago that he went into hospital. The news of his death is deeply regretted by a wide circle of friends. Being one of the original members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, a member of the Committee of the Victoria Recreation Club, a member of the Committee of the Phoenix Club, and as a member of the Jockey Club who took a keen interest in racing, Mr. Nobbs was well-known and he was highly respected, and esteemed by all who knew him.

The funeral takes place this evening, at Happy Valley, the cortege passing the Monument at 5.30.

MRS. GOLDENBERG.

We record with regret the death at the age of 39 of Mrs. E. Goldenberg, who passed away suddenly on Sunday night at 10 p.m. The deceased was a very old resident of Hongkong and leaves behind four sons and four daughters. The funeral took place yesterday evening from the residence near the Race Course and was followed by a large number of friends and relatives. There were no wreaths, in compliance with the deceased's request, and the body was interred in the Jewish cemetery.

THE LATE MR. A. B. BRYSON.

The following reference was made by Archdeacon Barnett at St. Andrew's Church on Sunday to the unexpected death of Mr. A. B. Bryson while crossing the Pacific:

"We have to mourn the loss of one who was a member of this Church for many years. I refer to Andrew Birrell Bryson. Both he and Mrs. Bryson were members of the Choir for some time before and after they were married. They were married at St. Andrew's and their children have all been baptized here. The sad news of his death was received a few days ago from Honolulu. He was one who was always ready and willing to help in anything he was asked in connection with St. Andrew's and this readiness and willingness to help others did not stop at St. Andrew's. His presence will be much missed by his many friends in Kowloon and our heart-felt sympathy goes out to his sorrowing widow and family in their great bereavement."

Special hymns were sung and the Dead March was played at the close of the service as a token of respect to his memory.

THE FRAWLEY CO.

OPENING POSTPONED TILL SATURDAY.

The Frawley Co. who are at Manila have telegraphed regretting that owing to shipping delays the first four nights of the advertised season in Hongkong have to be cancelled. They will open the season at the Theatre Royal on Saturday, the 16th inst., with "It Pays to Advertise."

We draw the attention of the public to the amended advertisement. Messrs. Moutrie & Co. are prepared to return money paid for seats for the performances which have been cancelled.

NORTH CHINA FLOOD RELIEF.

The Christian Churches of Hongkong were asked to raise \$10,000 for the above fund. Up to date \$3,500 has been subscribed and we are able to report many self-sacrificing gifts, as for example, Chinese students, boys and girls, of certain schools voluntarily dispensing with a mid-day meal in order to give the proceeds to the relief of the famine-stricken. The fund is to be closed on May 22nd. Any collectors intending donors who have money for the fund are requested to send it without delay to one of the Hon. Treasurers.

Mr. A. H. Harris—Chinese Customs Officer, York Buildings.
Mr. Ma Ying Pin—Sincere Company, Signed on behalf of the Committee G. H. VICTORIA, Chairman; Ho LEISON, Secretary.

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CORONER'S INQUEST.

MOTOR-CAR FATALITY IN CAINE ROAD.

At the Magistrate's this morning, Mr. J. R. Wood, as Coroner, held an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of Ah Tong, a Chinese girl, aged about six years, who was knocked down and killed by a motor car in Caine Road on the 4th instant.

Dr. Woodman, Assistant Superintendent of the Government Civil Hospital, said the child was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital at 4.20 p.m. on the 4th instant. The child looked as if it was suffering from internal bleeding. She died two hours later. No operation was performed. Witness conducted a post-mortem examination and found a fracture of the parietal bone, several broken ribs, the right lung bruised and liver badly torn. In his opinion, the cause of death was "rupture of the liver."

In reply to the Coroner, witness said the injuries might have been caused either by a blow by the car or by the car passing over the child's body.

The father of the child said he first knew of the fatality when he arrived home after work. He hurried to the hospital and found his wife who was already there, attending to the child. She was still alive and complained of great abdominal pain.

Mr. Christensen, clerk at Messrs. Shewan, Tomes & Co., who was riding in the car in company with Mr. L. G. James at the time of the accident, stated that when approaching No. 29 Caine Road, going from east to west, he noticed a group of children playing on the right hand side of the road. One of them attempted to cross the road in front of the car and was knocked down.

Witness, Mr. James and the driver got off the car and attended to the child who was lying unconscious on the road. She was at once conveyed to the Government Civil Hospital in the car. Witness afterwards reported the matter at the Police Station. Witness said the driver immediately applied the brakes when he saw the child crossing the road. The car was going at a moderate speed and he was of opinion that the accident could not have been avoided.

The driver of the motor-car, who is employed by the Dragon Cycle Garage, said that he sounded a warning on his horn when the car approached the group of children in Caine Road. The child crossed the road immediately in front of the car and it was impossible to avoid knocking her down. The car was going at the rate of about ten miles an hour.

Sergeant Field, who was sent to investigate the matter, giving evidence said he was also of opinion that the accident was unavoidable.

After further evidence, Mr. Wood found that death was due to an accident.

ARMED ROBBERY IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.

Ip Leung Si, a widow residing at 59 Wellington Street, reported to the Police that at about 3 p.m. yesterday, a man who had rented a cubicle from her, came to the house accompanied by two other men. He said he came to pay her the rent and after some conversation, the three men went up to the roof. A short while afterwards, they returned and presented revolvers at the woman and the other inmates of the house whom they forced into an "empty cubicle." The robbers then ransacked the house and decamped after stealing a pair of gold bangles valued at \$100.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE.

The Return of cases of communicable disease in the Colony during last week showed the following—

	Cases.	Deaths.
Cerebro-Spinal fever	34	24
Bubonic Plague	4	3
Diphtheria	2	3
Enteric Fever	4	4
Small-pox	1	0

PAPER WITH MILLION SUBSCRIBERS CEASES PUBLICATION.

Has there ever been an instance of a newspaper with a million subscribers ceasing publication? Yet that is what has happened in the case of the *Ladies' World*, published in New York. The publication is to cease during war-time, owing to the immense rise of the cost of production. The paper must not be confused with Mr. Bok's wonderfully successful *Ladies' Home Journal*, which was a pioneer in this class of illustrated magazine.

ALWAYS RECOMMEND IT.

It is almost every community there is some one whose life has been saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Such persons seldom have an opportunity to recommend it, and these recommendations, and its never failing, qualified success, has its great popularity. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE MAGISTRACY.

A BID FOR FORTUNE.

A Chinese pleaded not guilty when charged on remand, before Mr. A. Dyer Ball this morning, with being in unlawful possession of a quantity of lottery tickets.

Mr. M. K. Lo, for the defendant, said the defendant who was a trader, came from Macao and was proceeding to Kowloon when he was arrested. The defendant, he submitted, bought the lottery tickets in the hope of winning a prize and for an other purpose. Mr. Dyer Ball said he was satisfied that the lottery tickets were intended for sale and imposed a fine of \$20.

EXPORT PERMIT INCORRECTLY FILLED.

The Nam Sang Loong Co., was summoned before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning, with exporting two tons of iron without a permit.

The manager of the firm who pleaded guilty to the charge, said that the permit had been carelessly filled in by a clerk while he was away on business at Yau-mei. All previous shipments had been done by him alone.

Mr. Dyer Ball imposed a fine of \$30.

THE BENEFIT OF A DOUBT.

A Chinese woman pleaded not guilty when charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with being in unlawful possession of 200 catfish of brown sugar.

Defendant said the sugar was left on her sampan at Tai Kok-tsu, by a man who said he would return for the stuff. He did not however return.

Mr. Wood believed the defendant's story and discharged her.

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

The following are the results of recent competitions—

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS COMPETITION.—This was won by Messrs. W. D. Kraft and C. C. Stark who beat Messrs. J. Gibb and W. J. Morrison in the Final Round on Wednesday last, the 8th inst., 2 up.

In the Semi-Finals Messrs. J. W. Taylor and P. H. Cobb lost to Messrs. Kraft and Stark, and Messrs. Bulmer Johnson and A. H. Crew to Messrs. Gibb and Morrison.

Captain's Cup May.—This was decided over the Fanning Course during the weekend May, 4th to 6th, and Mr. Stark won in the Winning Card with the score 63-11-62; Mr. M. M. Mass was second with 62-12-63.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The following were yesterday's results—

MIXED HANDICAP DOUBLES.

C. Cooper-Hunt and Mrs. Nisbet (owe 15/3) beat C. R. Brown and Mrs. Brown (rec. 15/3)—2-6; 6-2; 8-2.

HANDICAP DOUBLES.

F. A. Reimond and A. Morse (owe 1/8) beat A. G. M. Fletcher and E. R. Hallifax (rec. 15/3)—6-4; 2-6; 6-2.

C. C. Stark and F. J. Josland (acc.) beat H. J. Jackson and R. M. Henderson (rec. 15/4)—4-2; 2-6; 8-4.

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS.

N. E. Kent and J. S. Jennings beat L. H. E. Murray and A. B. Raworth—6-4; 6-4.

R. and H. Hancock beat Major Ardoino and Capt. M. Jones—6-2; 6-1.

OPEN DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY.

As there will be a very large crowd present at this tennis match to-morrow (weather permitting), it may be well to call attention to the fact that the match is advertised to start at 4.15 p.m. On entering the stand, holders of white tickets should turn to the left and pink or blue tickets to the right. Green tickets are reserved chairs in front of the stand and yellow tickets opposite the stand. No tickets are genuine unless they have been purchased through Moutrie, Ltd. or from the Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. M. Hodgson. There will be ample standing room in the 50 cents enclosure where a raised platform has been erected.

In the event of the match having to be postponed, it will be played on the first fine day.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

The approximate statement of traffic receipts for the week ending 11th May, is as follows—

	Receipts for week.	Aggregate Receipts for 11 weeks.
This year	12,732	254,132
Last year	12,474	250,255
Increase	258	3,877
Decrease	1,396	

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MAKE it a rule of your home to always keep on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is a safeguard against bowel complaints. It always cures promptly and no household is safe without it. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(The "Chinese Mail" Service.)

THE NEW PARLIAMENT.

PEKING, May 13. The Chinese Government has given instructions for the election of the New Parliament in the month of June.

AN EXPENSIVE TRIP.

PEKING, May 13. The Premier has indicated that the expenses of his recent trip to Hankow amounted to about \$1,200,000, which is about the same amount as that charged for the similar journey by the President some time ago.

A COMMOTION AT PEKING.

PEKING, May 13. There is great excitement in Peking owing to a sudden increase in the rentals for official property. Numerous merchants intended going on strike, but the Chamber of Commerce persuaded them to abandon the idea. Delegates were appointed by the Chamber to interview the Premier, with the result that an indictment has been filed in the district Court against the officials responsible for the illegal attempt to raise the rentals.

COMPENSATION FOR LOSS OF A STEAMER.

PEKING, May 13. The Cabinet has indicated that an offer of \$400,000 as compensation for the loss of the steamer *Kiangsu*.

[This steamer was sunk by the gunboat on which the Premier recently travelled down the Yangtze. The China Merchants Co.'s claim was for \$1,200,000.]

LUNG CHAI KWONG.

PEKING, May 13. The Central Government has telegraphed to General Lung Chai Kwong to renew his efforts in conjunction with the Kiangsu and Fukien troops. He is also instructed to try his best to obtain munitions for which the Government will assume full responsibility. (Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE CHEFOO BREAKWATER.

PEKING, May 13. The Government has agreed on the appropriation of 111,400 taels monthly out of the Customs revenue, during 19 months, for the construction of the breakwater at Chefoo, thus ensuring Chefoo, where British interests are predominant, remaining one of the principal ports on the North China Coast, despite the competition of Tientsin.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

The Report for presentation to the shareholders at the forty-fifth ordinary meeting is as follows:—
The Board has now to lay before the shareholders a Balance Sheet containing a summary of the property and liabilities of the Society on the 31st December, 1913, and a statement of Working Accounts together with the starting equivalents.

1916 Account.—After payment of the interim dividend of \$30 per share and the bonus of 20 per cent to contributors passed at the last annual meeting, there remains a balance of \$2,356,955.48 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that this sum be appropriated as follows:—

A final dividend to shareholders of \$20 per share on 15,881 shares	\$ 317,620.00
A bonus dividend to shareholders of \$10 per share on 15,881 shares	158,810.00
An addition to the Reinsurance Fund of \$100,000 @ Exchange 3/	666,666.67
To Building Reserve Fund \$10,000 @ Exchange 3/	66,666.67
To be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the account for the year 1913	1,156,192.14
	\$2,356,955.48

1917 Account.—The Balance of Working Account on the 31st December, 1917, was \$4,379,564.87, as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that an interim dividend of \$30 per share be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$476,430.00, and that a bonus of 20% be paid to contributors, absorbing about \$250,000.00, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Directors.—In accordance with Clause 80 of the Articles of Association Mr. W. L. Patterson and Mr. A. Forbes retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Messrs. A. H. Low and C. Bernard Brown retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

P. H. HOLYOAK, Chairman.

HONGKONG, 11th May 1918.

TELEGRAMS.

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OFFICIAL REPORTS.

LULL IN FLANDERS.

ONLY ARTILLERY FIRING.

London, May 12.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports on aviation, says:—

There is nothing to report except reciprocal artillery firing.

BRITISH AVIATORS' FINE WORK.

MORE ENEMY PLANES FELLED.

London, May 12.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—

The mist interfered with the air work on the 11th.

We brought down one enemy machine.

Two British planes are missing.

It is ascertained that three further enemy machines were brought down on the 10th, in addition to the eight already reported.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

CONTINUOUS AERIAL ENTERPRISE.

London, May 13.

A French communiqué states:—

There was a fairly lively artillery duel south of the Avre. Bombing aeroplanes on the 10th and 11th dropped 7,000 kilograms of projectiles on enemy railway stations, depots and communications of Nogon, Chauny and Flavy-le-Martel. Several fires were started.

Chasing aeroplanes brought down two enemy machines badly damaged. Eight German machines were brought down on the 10th.

GERMAN COMMUNIQUE.

London, May 12.

A German communiqué states:—

We arrested in our lines an attack northward of Kemmel.

PRESS CORRESPONDENTS' REPORTS.

DISORDERLY GERMAN DIVISION. ENEMY EXAGGERATES BRITISH LOSSES.

London, May 12.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—

The weather is grey and cheerless. On most of the battle-front the enemy has fallen considerably behind his amended time-table. In a diary found on a captured German officer there is an entry stating that a certain big attack, planned near Albert, had been abandoned because the second Naval Division which had broken into Albert had indulged in wholesale riot. The diary added that the Division was dealt with for disorderly behaviour and pillage.

The same diary contains a running lament upon the havoc wrought by our airmen, punctuated by many casualty lists caused by their bombs. The completed casualty returns available show that the German wireless statements regarding our losses in the early days of the offensive were grossly exaggerated. The Fifty-Sixth Division, which a German wireless report stated was almost completely wiped out, lost in killed, wounded and prisoners 43 officers and 1,425 men.

The French troops operating along the gully of Wyverboeck running southwards of Diksbusch Lake to the eastern foot of Mont Kemmel had considerable success.

THE QUESTION OF AMIENS.

ENEMY NOT LIKELY TO ATTEMPT CAPTURE.

London, May 12.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters, dealing with the French re-capture of the Park of Grievens, mentioned in a communiqué of the 10th, says the French had retained the southern end of the Park and the Chateau of Grievens through the battles of April, but the Germans established themselves in the northern end of the Park and held the ridge commanding the two valleys with the roads running along them, which were their main means of access to the Park.

The French captured the whole ridge with 280 prisoners and 60 machine-guns with the smallest loss within a quarter of an hour, before the formidable German artillery and machine-gun defences could come into play.

It is unlikely that the Germans will attempt a further push towards Amiens along the Luce Valley. They have more to gain by capturing the Esclapart plateau, and so avoiding the marshes which form the natural barrier before Amiens.

Along the line of the Avre the enemy is organised for defence. His batteries are extraordinarily close to his front line, which consists of a chain of organised shell emplacements with only one line of trenches. The enemy has dug himself in between Montdidier and Nogon and has already defence lines.

A FRENCH AIRMAN'S FINE RECORD.

London, May 12.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters says:—

Lieutenant Fonck, mentioned in a communiqué of the 10th, is officially credited with the destruction of 42 enemy aeroplanes, but he has actually accounted for at least 60, as the French officially credit pilots only with enemy machines the destruction of which is confirmed by French observers. Since almost all our air-fights occur over enemy lines a large proportion of the British and French air victories are never officially recorded. If the whole truth could be published, Baron von Richthofen's record could easily be matched by those of Guyonnet, Bull, Fonck, Nungesser, and half-a-dozen others.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

AUSTRIAN REPORT.

London, May 12.

A wireless Austrian official report states:—

Our counter-attack threw out the Italians, who penetrated our advanced position at Monte Corno.

THE IMPORTANCE OF MONTE CORNO.

London, May 12.

Reuter's Correspondent with the British Army in Italy says:—

Monte Corno, mentioned in the Italian communiqué of the 11th, is 5,000 feet high and formed a useful observatory for Austrian artillery and commanded the Italian trenches at Monte Trappola.

IRREFUTABLE PROOF OF OUR NAVAL SUPREMACY.

AMERICAN LABOUR REPERSENTATIVE'S VIEWS.

London, May 13.

Mr. Wilson, representative of the American Federation of Labour, interviewed on his return from the Front, said the most conclusive evidence that we had seen of the failure of the enemy submarine campaign in France and hundreds of thousands of tons of stores brought across the Atlantic. "These vast munitions of war stand," he said, "as an irrefutable proof of the protective power of the British and American Navies. Less than twelve months have passed since General Pershing with 50 men landed in France. The developments since then have been little short of miraculous. We are amazed at the work of the supermen of the British and American Armies. Everywhere among the American troops there is a feeling of absolute confidence in their power to withstand successfully any offensive launched against them. Their spirit, like that of the British and French troops, is wonderful."

EPIDEMIC OF DESTRUCTIVE FIRES IN GERMANY.

London, May 12.

The outbreaks of mysterious destructive fires in Germany continue. The latest instances are the destruction of the Berlin Municipal granary containing a thousand tons of cereals, also the burning of 15,000 acres of forest near Oestrup, Westphalia.

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AMERICA'S SWIFT RESPONSE TO ALLIED CALL.

LORD READING'S ADDRESS TO JOURNALISTS.

WASHINGTON, May 12.

Lord Reading, addressing the National Press Club, paid a tribute to America's swift and unhesitating response to the Allied call and praised the efforts of Canada, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand. He said India had proved her devotion by her attitude in the present crisis, German efforts to start disaffection in India having failed. The British Empire and the United States were each based upon keeping the sovereign authority of the country as the sanctuary of liberty, founded on justice and right. Together they would proceed, determined that our system should prevail and that there should be no room in the world for military despotism.

MAJOR-GENERAL BRYAN MAHON.

CREATED K.C.B.

London, May 12.

The Press Bureau says Major-General Sir Bryan Mahon has been appointed Knight Commander of the Bath.

GERMANY'S COMMERCIAL RELATIONS.

LABOUR NEEDED FOR GERMANATIONS TO RESTORE THEM.

ZURICH, May 13.

Speaking in the Wurttemberg Diet, the Minister of Finance admitted that Germany would require labour for generations to restore Germany's commercial relations.

MR. MONTAGU RETURNS TO LONDON FROM INDIA.

London, May 13.

Mr. Edwin Montagu, Secretary of State for India, has returned to London.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

ENEMY DRIVEN BACK WITH SERIOUS LOSSES.

London, May 12.

A French communiqué says:—

There was a fairly violent bombardment west of Malmy-Rainval.

A German attack on our new positions north-west of Orville-Sorel met with a complete reverse and our fire inflicted serious losses on the enemy. We took prisoners.

There was a lively artillery contest on the right of the Meuse, in the Cauciers Wood-Les Chambrettes sector.

GERMAN TROOPS HURRIED TO THE WESTERN FRONT.

Moscow, May 4.

Refugees from Riga state that numerous German troops have recently been hurried to the Western Front.

THE PEACE OF BUKHAREST.

A PURE MAILED-FIST TREATY.

London, May 12.

There is considerable criticism in Germany and Austria concerning the peace of Bukharest.

The Leipzig Volkszeitung describes it as a pure mailed-fist treaty containing open annexations and concealed war indemnities in the shape of economic promises as burdensome as money indemnities.

The Neues Wienerjournal exhorts Germany to be more moderate in Eastern treaties. It warns Austria against considering it a reconciliation and thinks Rumania only concluded it because she must and because she hopes it will be completely reversed at the Peace Conference.

How much this criticism is justified appears from Amsterdam's details of the supplementary treaty between Germany and Rumania in which the latter renounces indemnities for damage caused by Germany and undertakes to refund the money paid for such damage.

EMPEROR KARL VISITS GERMAN HEADQUARTERS.

AMSTERDAM, May 12.

The Emperor Karl, accompanied by Premier Burian and General von Arz, Chief of Staff, has gone to German Headquarters.

MAY DAY AMNESTY IN RUSSIA.

Moscow, May 2 (delayed).

In celebration of May Day many political and criminal prisoners were released, including ex-Minister Sukhomlinoff and other ex-Ministers of the Roudoff and Kerensky regimes except those charged with high treason and embezzlement.

THE VINDICTIVE'S NOBLE END.

TRIBUTE TO THE NAVY.

LONDON, May 11.

The Vindictive's noble end is acclaimed by the papers as securing her place in history for association with two of the most heroic deeds in naval annals. It is declared that Nelson never did anything finer, and if his ship, the Victory, is the cathedral of the Navy, the Vindictive is the twentieth century witness of its fighting spirit. Occasion is taken to pay a tribute to the skill and devotion with which the Navy has secured the triumph of its sea power in a manner unprecedented in the history of warfare. Deeds as intrepid and skilful as those now applauded are done daily and nightly, but the well concealing work of the Navy is rarely lifted.

ADMIRAL JELICOES' PREDICTION.

Admiral Jellicoe's prediction that the submarine menace will be ended by August is now recalled in connection not merely with the Zeppelins and Ostend exploits, but the closing of the North Sea from Norway to the Orkneys by the greatest minefield ever laid. Millions of mines and money have been devoted to this North Sea barrage which the Germans will only be able to evade if they use Norwegian waters. The completion of this minefield and the Belgian coast operations are regarded as one of the most important naval undertakings of the war and confidence is felt that the aggressive policy will be further extended.

AMERICAN LABOUR VIEWS.

UNWAVERING RESOLVE TO CRUSH GERMAN MILITARISM.

PARIS, May 11.

The leader of the American Labour delegates, interviewed after visiting the Front, said: "We will tell our countrymen of the German iniquities we saw here and the magnificent resistance of the British and French soldiers, and they will understand how impossible it is to meet the German Socialists during the war. This decision, which has been adopted by all our organisations, will be strengthened and will become an unwavering resolve to crush German militarism."

EXCESS PROFITS TAX.

LONDON, May 11.

As regards excess profits duty the *Guardian* fixes the percentage for the mangrove bark industry in Borneo at 10 per cent, and on Malayan tin companies at 16 per cent.

VALUE OF CREDIT.

LESSON OF TATA BANK IN INDIA.

Lord Rothermere opened recently a Calcutta branch of the Tata Industrial Bank. The function was attended by a large number of business men, both Indian and European. Sir Rajendra Nath Mookerjee (Chairman of the local branch) in inviting the Governor to declare the Bank formally open, said that the main activities and efforts of the Bank would be directed towards the industrial growth of India. Industrial banks had played a considerable part in the development of industries in countries like Germany, Austria and Japan. Such banks had made it possible for small industries to be enlarged and brought to prosperity. It was proposed to try the experiment in India also. It was a source of considerable pride to them that subscriptions in India had amounted to Rs. 7 crores, apart from further subscriptions of from one to one and half crores of a strong English group.

His Excellency, in declaring the Bank open, said that he believed they were on the threshold of a big industrial expansion in India. "He had heard the Credit banks of Germany described as the general staff of German industry and the brains of the German industrial army. The people of India might take a leaf out of their book and introduce these banks which might fittingly be described as the brains of the Indian industrial army. The mission which Tata's Industrial Bank undertook was not merely a practical one but it was also an educative one. The masses of that country should be taught that credit was an asset of greater value than mere bullion."

Another of the best-known Berlin hotels, the Kaiserhof, has had to close its doors owing to the stress of war. This is the twenty-fourth hotel in Berlin which has had to give up business. Communication with the provinces and foreign countries has been reduced to a minimum, there have been drastic rules practically abolishing lighting and heating in the business of a hotel, and the confusion of tables and bed linen and other necessary things make hotel life impossible. The Kaiserhof branches at Bremen and Hamburg have also been closed.

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AMERICAN CABLES.

PRESIDENT GETS FULL AUTHORITY.

WASHINGTON, May 1.

The Senate has passed a bill which centres war authority in the President. The measure now goes to the House of Representatives, where early action is expected.

Enemy lines were smashed in the Senate vote, as only 102 Republicans opposed the measure which authorizes the President to re-organizing and consolidate all Government departments until six months after the war.

U.S. SHIPBUILDING RECORD.

NEARLY 14 MILLION TONS LAUNCHED.

WASHINGTON, May 1.

United States ship construction figures are steadily rising. The launchings of the past week were 41,105 tons of completed ships while nearly 30,000 tons were delivered to the Government. Since the shipbuilding programme was begun, 1,400,000 tons of shipping have been launched.

A San Francisco shipbuilding firm which already employs 15,000 men, has announced that ground has been purchased and plans completed for the construction of another great shipyard on the Pacific coast, to employ 3,000 men at the start. Big dry docks have been provided.

Washington, May 2.

Complete reports to the United States Shipping Board show 240,000 tons of new United States ship construction in April, two-thirds of which was completed in the past fortnight.

The report of the Board states: "These figures mean an average of 9,000 tons daily in a month of 26 working days." The official total for the month still lacks additional reports from the Pacific coast shipyards.

Several launchings marked the first day of the new month. One Pacific coast yard launched a 5,400-ton oil tanker in the presence of the officials of the United States Shipping Board. [Another Pacific coast yard established a world's record by laying the keel for a new vessel seven seconds after a completed ship had slid down the same ways.]

FRISCO-NEW YORK 30 HOURS BY AIR.

FUTURE MAIL SERVICE.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.

The Pacific Aero Club has announced that it has secured the site of the former exposition grounds on the water-front for a terminal for the proposed "Woodrow Wilson" aerial highway from New York. This will be 4,000 miles long and it is expected that trips can be made in thirty hours. Maps, showing the landings to be made and the customary prevailing winds, with other plans will be ready soon. Officials of the club have said that machines using the new liberty motor, capable of 140 miles an hour, are now available.

U.S. WHEAT CONSUMPTION REDUCED TO HALF.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.

An official of the United States Food Administration arriving here has made the following statement:—

"America has reduced wheat consumption to one-half in accordance with the request of the Food Administrator, Mr. Hoover, in order to meet the needs of our soldiers and our Allies overseas. The nation's conservatism proves that food waste has been eliminated, as a result of which companies extracting grease from garbage are cancelling their garbage contracts as unprofitable."

OVER 34 MILLION TONS BUILDING.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 6.

A Government inspector, after a tour of the Pacific coast, stated that 3,625,000 tons of shipping was building or had been contracted for prior to April 1st, divided as follows: San Francisco district, 1,400,000 tons; Seattle district, 1,000,000 tons; and Los Angeles district, 425,000 tons.

230 SHIPS ALREADY LAUNCHED.

WASHINGTON, May 5.

The United States Shipping Board states that 230 steel and wooden vessels have been launched this year with an aggregate tonnage of 1,440,027. The Board is operating 167 shipyards having 753 ways.

MORE STEEL FOR WAR USE.

WASHINGTON, May 5.

Virtually all steel and pig iron in the country has been diverted to the Government for war purposes as the result of a meeting of the nation's steel men here. Industries not connected with the war will be compelled to conform to a reduction of output when necessary.

AMERICA'S ARMY OF THREE MILLIONS.

WASHINGTON, May 5.

Mr. Baker, the Secretary of War, in announcing that 235,000 more men would be called to the National Army from 40 States during this month, and that Congress had been asked for an appropriation of \$15,000,000 for the Army for the coming year, said:—

"Let us not put specific figures. They imply limits. There is no limit. The United States will call enough men to make victory certain, and as rapidly as they can be trained."

The states of California, Oregon and Nevada have evaded the call owing to the large number of previous volunteers which have filled their quota. 130,000 men were called on April 30, to 353,000 have been called in two months. Instead of 100,000 monthly in accordance with the former plan. All present training camps will be used and enlarged.

Last year's army estimates totalled \$4,000,000,000 for 1,000,000 men which has already been exceeded. The present million dollars should provide for an army of 3,000,000.

HONGKONG WAR BONDS DRAWING PRIZES.



PRIZES.

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"Our conditions," he said to me, resting on his invalid's couch, says Mr. Harold Begbie in the *Daily Chronicle*, "are infinitely better than they were when I was a boy. There is no comparison between them. The transformation which has taken place is complete. Further improvements will be made. There is room for improvement. But it must be the improvement of natural growth. These violent Socialists, who are very vociferous just now, are not practical men. And they have the making of tyrants. Extremists are always tyrants. England does not trust such people. I believe in free discussion; I believe in the spirit of progress. But what England has got to do is to digest and assimilate progress as she goes along. If she does that, I am full of hope as regards the future. There'll be a bad time. There's bound to be. It will come after the artificial conditions which now exist, are removed, and before normal conditions are thoroughly established. During that interregnum, so far as I can judge, we shall be in the trough of the wave. But if we stick together, if we use earnest sympathy, if we look to the future as practical men carrying serious responsibilities, then, in my judgment, we shall mount with the wave and go forward to great prosperity."

I spoke of the rather violent views of certain extreme Socialists, our Bolsheviks, and he smiled as he lay there, like some old Waterloo veteran hearing stories of a fight in Ireland.
A CHARTIST INCIDENT.
"There was a time during the Chartist disturbances when chains were placed across the very street in which our new works are built, and warning was given that anyone attempting to come down the street would have boiling tar thrown upon him. I can remember that every time bread rose in price the poor unfortunate bakers' windows were broken. Things like that were common in my boyhood. Oh, we're much more reasonable now. Violent people are a nuisance, and may be a danger, but they seldom dominate English life. Keenly as I recognise what remains to be done in the way of solid progress, I'm certain that our conditions neither justify violence nor could be bettered by violence. What we want in England is gentle rains and not thunder-storms. Our people believe in growth. They've no taste for landslides and earthquakes."
I asked him what he thought of Lord Leverhulme's proposal of a six-hours day.
"Lord Leverhulme," he replied, "is a very remarkable man, and I recognise his enormous ability and his sincere earnestness as a social reformer. But I think in this proposal he is carried away by the conditions in his own business, and does not make sufficient allowance for the conditions which obtain in others. It is a noble idea; but, as I see it, impracticable just now. Four shifts of six hours would make the product more expensive than three shifts of eight hours. We must lead up to the six hours' day, but we must not expect it just now."

TWO DAYS OF PEACE.

"What I should like to work for is a free Saturday for the manufacturing operative. I would suggest eight or nine hours a day, for five days in the week with Saturday free. I should like to encourage our people to regard Saturday as a day for enjoyment and excursions, and sports, and frolic of every rational kind. It ought to be a day of absolute enjoyment leading up to a peaceful Sunday. I believe strongly in the value of one day in the week consecrated to peace, a real holy-day. I should like Sunday to be regarded by the nation as a day sacred to family reunions, to meditation, to reading, to contemplation of nature, and to the public worship of God. A free Saturday would prepare the way for a spiritual Sunday. In my opinion much of the industrial irritation and unrest is due to the tremendous tension of modern life. Man's soul must have one holy day a week. Such a day is necessary to the health of the whole man, body and spirit."
He is speaking of the manufacturing classes and of work in the modern factory where, owing to the division of labour, a man's time is devoted not to the making of the whole article, but only to his own small part. Amongst the distributing retail classes there is much more varied work to be done, and a free Saturday would be impossible because they are engaged in supplying the wants of the working classes.
He is profoundly convinced that the late Earl Grey was inspired on his deathbed when he pleaded with the nation for a deeper and more earnest sympathy. Indeed, he declares it as his faith that unbounded prosperity is waiting for us if only we will throw away our prejudices, our class hatreds, our jealousies, and our petty suspicions.
In his own huge factories at Nottingham, which have been greatly enlarged during the war in order to manufacture the fine chemicals hitherto supplied by Germany, he is trying as far as possible under the difficult existing conditions to make the life of the workpeople healthy and happy. He believes that the conditions of work are more important than the hours, and that the great thing to be mitigated is monotony. He wants factories to have glee clubs and bands, dancing and drills, debating societies and recreation rooms. He wants managers to be in constant and human contact with workpeople. He wants workpeople to be sensible of the effort of the management to improve their conditions. And he wants both managers and workpeople to associate themselves in a hearty and intelligent co-operation with capital to make the industries of England a part, and a very vital part, of her national glory.

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Orders for Artillery Company by Capt.
J. H. W. Armstrong, Y.D.

PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.

Thursday, 16th May—
7.30 a.m.—Night Half Co. N.C.O.'s
class. All under rank of Sergt. to
attend.
5.15 p.m.—Night Half Co. N.C.O.'s
class. All under rank of Sergt. to
attend.
Friday, 17th May—
7.30 a.m.—Night Half Co. New Layers
class only.
5.15 p.m.—Night Half Co. New Layers
class only.

Orders for Engineer Company by
Captain W. Russell.

20th to 17th May, 1918—

Parades as per orders posted at Head-
quarters. Engine Drivers at 8.30 p.m.
Electricians at 8.45 p.m.

OFFICERS NEXT FOR DETY.
Belchers—Lieut. Hall.
Lewington—Capt. James.
Stokecreech—Lieut. Stevenson.

INSTRUCTION FOR N.C.O.s AND MEN OF THE
INFANTRY BATTALION ATTACHED FOR DETY.
Class 1 at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on
Mondays and Thursdays.
Class 2 at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on
Tuesdays and Fridays.

Class 3 at Lewington at 8.30 p.m. on
Wednesdays and Fridays.
Class 4 at Lewington at 8.30 p.m. on
Thursdays and Saturdays.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by
Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

Wednesday, 15th May—
5.30 p.m.—N.C.O.s of Nos. 3 and 4
Platoons (as detailed by Platoon
Commanders) at Headquarters.
G.R.T.

Thursday, 16th May—
5.30 p.m.—N.C.O.s of Nos. 1 and 2
Platoons (as detailed by Platoon
Commanders) at Headquarters.
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Friday, 17th May—
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Machine Gun Company.
Wednesday, 15th May—
5.30 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. Nos.
4 and 6 Guns only.

Thursday, 16th May—
5.30 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. The
following men only need attend—
Platoon, Irvine, Labrum, A. C. D.
Logan, C. H. Logan, McKenna and
Stepleton.

Mounted Section.
Thursday, 16th May—
5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables.
Dress, drill order without files.

Signalling Section.
Friday, 17th May—
5.30 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters.
Dress, drill order.

Note—Rifles (with boxes free from oil)
and sidearms are to be brought to the
parade on 14th May.

Securities.
Friday, 17th May—
6.30 p.m.—All units except "D" Com-
pany on Murray Parade Ground,
under Sergts. Edmonds and Meade.
Dress, drill order.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut.
J. E. W. Beard.

SALUTING, ETC.

The O.C. has had complaints recently
of Cadets not saluting officers properly.
Cadets are reminded that this is a very
serious offence.

PARADES.
Wednesday, 15th May—
7.00 p.m.—Fall in at Blake Pier. Swim-
ming.

G. E. STEWART,
Captain.
Adjutant, H.K. Defence Corps.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1918.

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SATURDAY, May 25th.	"SEVEN KEYS TO BALDPATE"

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WEATHER REPORT.

May 14, 1918. 12m.—No returns from
Japanese stations. Pressure has de-
creased slightly at Windivostok, and
increased slightly at other reporting
stations. The anticyclone has strength-
ened and moved eastwards to S. Japan;
the depression is probably situated near
Hokkaido.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch.
Total since January 1st, 1.95 inches,
against an average of 15.77 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on the 15th May—
1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: E.
winds, fresh; cloudy, some rain.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds,
strong to fresh.

3.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Lamooks: The same as
No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Hainan: The same as
No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY
HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER
REPORT.

MAY 14, 1918.—A.M.

Station. Hour. Rainfall. Temperature. Humidity. Direction. Force. Weather.

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